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DICK CROKER NOW WEAKENS.

Tammany's Boss Takes the First Step Towards Retirement

His Statement Regarded as One Way

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Mr. Croker at Tammany Hall and asked him whether the report was true. In reply he said he would make a state-ment that he hoped would set at rest all he talk about his contemplated with-

have had with members of Tammany Hall. I have told them what I tell you esponsibility that rests on me. "I want to remain a member of Tam-many Hall and do my share of the

ork. I don't want to do all the work nd be responsible for it. "I have been urging on members of Tammany Hall to appoint committees

for the purpose of relieving me of the he work and the responsibility."
"Will you make that announcement the Executive, Organization and

eral committees at their meetings week? "No, I don't propose to do so, but I spect others, if they are friends of ine, to attend to it."

est he should be understood that he tended to resign the leadership of Tamany Hall, Mr. Croker became more ex

"I want," said he, "more time for myplease and whenever I please. I want me to go to my business downtown. "As matters are now I can't. All attend to it. Everybody looks to me

any Hall go away for six months and other members of Tammany Hall." ession that he merely wanted to di-

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"That the reason why the Mugnumps of ther antis are opposed to other antis are opposed to gen and the system of the artistic and the world, Queensberry or London rules, for any sum from \$500 to \$5,000 before the Olympic Club. Connors has never been whipped.

have less political work to do, so that I can devote more time to my affairs and reoreation."

Not a Tammany man could be found who would express himself for publication on Croker's announcement, but privately they agreed unanimously that Croker was paving the way for "letting himself down easy."

It is further believed that his piea for relief, from his arduous duties as patronake dispenser and taxgatherer is a backdown, pure and simple; that he merely wanted a loophole for escape while under fire, and that he steps down and out on the filmsy pretext that he wants rest.

Croker's mouthplees, Michael T. Dally, said about two weeks ago that it was the boss's intention to retire from active participation in politics, but that he would not do so until the newspapers let up "abusing him."

A man high in station in Tammany is authority for the statment that it was Croker's intention then to resign, without taking refuge behind the dummy committee plan, but he found that the newspapers, reflecting public opinion, insisted that Croker and Croker methods must go.

Then the compromise plan, by which

Dunphy on the Statement. WASHINGTON, May 7.—Croker's statement created a sensation among the Tammanv men in the House. They met in groups in the lobbies and excit-

edly discussed the situation.

Representatives Cockran and Dunphy. Representatives Cockran and Dunphy, who have been identified as anti-Croker members of Tammany, had their heads together. Mr Dunphy resigned from Tammany only a few weeks ago, announcing his resignation in a public letter which severely arraigned Croker.

Mr. Dunphy said to-day: "The statement is a great surprise to me. I had known that Croker's resignation must come as soon as he recognized that it was essential to the welfare and preservation of Tammany. But I did not think he would reach this conclusion so soon. As to why the effect will be that depends on the choice of Mr. Croker's successor. If there is to be an end of one-man power, the effect will be very beneficial."

Mr. Bourke Cockran said: "I know nothing about it, but I presume it's true, I have not been in Mr. Croker's confidence for two years. I have nothing to say."

"These reports have started from talks

and my business. I want to go to lot of reserve strength. Banquet could races or to the country or anywhere have been shaken off at any time, and ork devolves on me. I must be here rather a dangerous factor in the Handi-

see that it is done. I can't stand "If I go away for rest I am criticised 1.08, 1.21 1-2, 1.35, 1.49, 2.02 1-2. This time maligned. Other members of Tam- was as good as 1.57 over a dry track. othing is said about it. I want to have the Handicap. He worked with St. is same freedom and liberty of action Michael and Kazan and when the first In reply to a direct question, Mr.

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"I have been in harness now for thirty ears," he continued. "I am getting id."

At this point he again interjected a entence that was calculated to correct in impression that he would throw up he leadership.

He also wanted to convey the idea hat his resolve was not of sudden or seent origin, and did not spring from he late attacks upon him.

"I have been talking with friends about ettring from the sole management for our years. So you see it is nothing ew." said the Big Chief, appealing with look for corroboration to ex-Speaker uizer, who stood beside him. The latter odded affirmatively.

"Would not such a change as you ropose revolutionize the system under hich the business of the Tammany oranization has been run for years? Vould it not abolish the central head or leader?" he was asked.

"Oh, there is no system," was his anwer.

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of things would go on the same in recommending the Genuine Kerlsv Double Chicagos of Gold Renedles for inebriety.

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Judge Pryor Decides that Betting at the Race Track Is Unconstitutional.

MEANS MUCH TO THE TURF

Opinion Handed Down in the Case of Bookmaker "Bob" Irving Against Britton.

APPEAL TO BE TAKEN AT ONCE.

No Interference with the Spring Meeting at the Gravesend Track Likely.

The General Term of the Court of Common Pleas to-day rendered a decision declaring the Ives Pool bill, in so far as it purports to authorize pool-sell-like our race tracks, unconstitutional.

Judge upon the legality of pool-selling lapears to have been affected by the impression that the Ives Pool bill determines it to be 'in the line of public welfare.' And yet that very act denounces pool-selling at any other place or time than on a race-course and on a race day, as a felony, and punishes it by confinement in a State prison. How the same thing can be a legal and laudable pastime at Sheepshead Bay in the Fall.

Orrin Hickok suspects a former groom of turning Directum loose from his stall in Pleasanton, Cal., last Monday, when the champion trotting stallion went roaming about the country. The horse idid not injure himself against any of the abro-wire fenese, but was much distressed in the morning when caught, and it is feared he contracted a cold.

In anticipation of the enormous crowd which is expected to visit the Graves are being taken to keep the surging masses from the infield rall. Workmen were engaged this morning in constructing an liner rall of stout material.

"Father Bill" Daly jokingly offered to

The announcement of the decision in the Irving-Britton case will do much towards clearing the turf of the Jockey Club bogey. Of course, race tracks cannot be operated without the betting cannot be operated without the betting attendant, and with the Ives law declared unconstitutional, all the energies of the leaders of the turf will have to be centred towards upsetting the decision written by Judge Pryor, or in getting a new pool bill passed by the Legislature. There is good reason for the turf moguls to suppose that the Court of Appeals—the only court they can carry an appeal to now—will affirm—138.

The attendance was large and the track in good shape. The events resulted as fellows:

First Race—Seven furions.—Won by Adjuster, 12 to 1 and 5 to 1; Hirsm Ar-Bour and Four and A half furions.—Won by Belle Star, 5 to 1 and 5 to 5; Indian Girl, 4 to 1 for a place, was second, and Extravagance third. Time—138.

Third Race—One mile—Won by Guido, 1 to 5 and 1 to 2; Linda, out for a place, second, and Beliearius third. Time—144.

will be introduced into the next Legisla-ture. Failing the passage of a new bill, the outlook for racing is not only very dark in New York State, but all over the country.

lously for the accision of the Court Appeals. This State is the richest Appeals. This State is the richest if the Union so far as the breeder is concerned, and should racing be probable here the day of fancy prices for their oughbreds will be a thing of the past. There is a moral wave that seems to be sweeping all over the country, and, wit New York and New Jorsey as example of all that is good and pure, there is a telling what Illinois, Kentucky and othe States will do.

The happiest man in New York to-day is, in all probability, Peter De Lacy, and when one comes to consider things for a moment it becomes evident that Peter is something of a prophet. Several years ago, when the New Jersey race tracks refused to give news to poolrooms, De Lacy waxed wroth and declared: "Well, I'll close up these tracks if I can't get the information I want. If the law cannot do it I'll stir up the clergymen and see what they can do." Forthwith the pool-room king raked up an old New Jersey blue law which classed race tracks as disorderly houses, What happened since then is a matter of history. The race tracks closed through last year. It was the death stracgle, and now the tracks are closed for good. In this State last year Richard Croker had laws passed which effectually closed the pool-rooms. "All right, said the redoubtable Peter." I'll close the race tracks. The Ives bill is unconstitutional. In the decision handed down to-day De Lacy has scored his first point. If the Court of Appeals affirms that decision his triumph will be complete.

cision declaring the Ives Pool bill, in so far as it purports to authorize pool-selling on race tracks, unconstitutional.

The opinion is written by Judge Pryor and is in part as follows:

"The Ives Pool bill, in so far as it purports to authorize pool-selling on race tracks, is void for repugnancy to the prohibition of lotteries in section 1.

Easte of New York."

Robert G. Irving, a bookmaker, brought an action against Joseph A. Britton to recover on a note which had been given by the latter for a bet on a horse race.

The action camp to trial in the City Court, where Irving secured a judgment. It was appealed by Britton to the General Term of City Court, where the judgment was affirmed.

Britton, through his counsel, Howe & Hummel, them appealed to the General Term of the Court of Common Pleas, which reversed the judgment as stated and granted Britton the costs of the action.

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Race at St. Louis To-Day. RACE TRACK, EAST ST. LOUIS.

May 7.-The racing here to-day was high-class in every respect, and betting was brish throughout the afternoon. The attendance was large and the

Ward's Wretched Error Responsible for a Run in the First.

LOVELY DAY AND FAIR CROWD.

and cutting him down ruthlessly at first. Ward and Van Haltren could only loop up files, which were caught by Tucker and Bannor respectively. No runs.

Second Inning—Tucker, the terror, was demure as a divinity student when Murphy chased his bounder to earth and shot it to Connor a yard and a half ahead of the "beefer" from Boston. "Bunty" Bannon was fortunate in receiving a base on four of Amos's worst, and he made a beautiful steal of second, Charley Farrell throwing to Ward as if he thought he was the size of Chang. the Chinese Giant.

But Bunty was nipped at third gorgeously by Farrell, and he was forgiven for his poor throw. Capt. Nash made his kick as usual, and the whole Hoston team threw up their hands when Lynch declared Nichols out at first on Ward's throw to Connor of the Kid's crack to the infield. No runs.

Nichols gathered in Tierman's bounder, and had Mike out at first before he got half way down the base line. Davis shot a whizzer clear along the first-base line, way into right, and it was as leat a single as was ever made on the Polo Grounds.

Connor made a dash for life on his screaming bounder, which Nichols was fraid to touch, but the ball got to first a foot ahead of him on Duffy's good throw. Harke was easily coppered at first when Nash scooped in his grounder and let it fly to Tucker. No runs.

Third Inning—Lowe couldn't poke the pellet beyond Murphy, who ploked it up from the ruck and lammed it like a streak to Connor. Duffy tried! Ward with an easy pop up fly, and this time Johns to chances. Stivetts laced a gruelling one for two bases to deep left, and he might have scored if McCarthy hadn't struck out. No runs.

Farrell and Runse both had an appetite for flies and they both placed their in centre field, where Stivetts baskete one and Bannon looked after the other murphy was the most surprised fellow in the field when Lynch called threatering the field where Lynch called threatering the field where I they had he will be sell so the streke on him. No runs.

Fourth Inning—task head had h

and Van did not even see first. Therman kept on his diet of files, and his plackheel crack to centre was soft stuff for Stivetts. No runs.

Fifth Inning—Rusis treated his rival pitcher, Kid Nichols, with rare consideration and made him a present of first. This advantage enabled him to get to second on Lowe's sacrifice bunt to Rusic, who threw Lowe out at first. The Kid ambied along to third on Duffy's victous crack to Davis, who sent the ball to Connor.

Stivetts was forced to take a bitter dose in the shape of three clear strikes, and the crowd yelled for joy. No runs. It was mighty sharp ball-playing by both teams so far, and the crowd was hungering for some run-getting latting. Davis didn't give much encouragement to his friends on his grounder to Lowe, who made a dandy pick-sun and nailed him at first. Connor shoved the itail to Lowe just the same way, and the Boston second baseman wasn't tetting anything go by, jurke hein't any sys for Nicholes over-the-plate lusters, and

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GAMES IN OTHER CITIES. AT WASHINGTON.

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BROOKLYN AT PHILADELPHIA.

Without the Services of Capt. Foutz, Who Was Too Ill to Play.

BRIDEGROOMS SCORED FIRST

Two runs.
Gillert papped up a fly to second and Delahanty got rid of Griffin by gathering in a long drive. Wexhing gave Dailey his base on balls. Kinslow hit to short and Dailey was caught at secto short ami bailey on the cond. No runs.

Seventh Inning—Delehanty singled to centre and Thompson sacrificed. Hallman retired, third to first. Cross drove the ball safely to left for a single, bringing in Delehanty. Clements followed with a single to right. Clements stole second. Weyhing fouled out to Gilbert.

SCORE BY INNINGS. Philadelp'a. 0 0 1 0 0 2 1

Brooklyn.... 0 1 0 2 0 0 GREECE SHAKEN AGAIN.

Steamship Passengers Say They Saw the Earth Tremble.

(il) Associated Press.)
ATHENS, May 7.—Another severe shock of earthquake was felt here and in the Atalanta district to-day. l'assengers on steamers traversing the Straits state that they distinctly saw

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BASEBALL CHAT.

Capt. Billy Nash, of the Boston Base-all Club, doesn't often fly off at a tanent, and he hasn't -ut in a protest gainst the game Saturday being awardto the New Yorks, at least he hasn't informed Manager Selee of that fact. A morning paper published it as a fact that Nash had protested to Nick Young, claiming the game and charging that a bunt of Van Haltren, which Umpire Lynch called fair, was undeniably a foul according to the latest interpretation, and that Lynch was in error in ordering McCarthy back to second after he kicked the ball and ran home.

Manager Selee, at the Sturtevant House to-day, talked to an "Evening World" reporter, "I don't think Mr. Nash has protested the game," he said, Nash has protested the game," he said,
"at any rate he hasn't said anything to
me. It is more than probable that Capt.
Nash has thought of protesting. I intend, myself, to write to Mr. Young in
reference to the bunt of Van Haliren.
All the umpires were recently instructed
on the very point that arises over this
bunt of Van Haltren. That ball rolled
out into foul territory, and when Mr.
Nash spoke to Mr. Lynch about it, he
said he knew nothing of any instructlons; he hadn't received any."
Manager Selee was displeased to think
that New Yorkers looked on Saturday's
playing, as "dirty ball." He admitted it
was "tricky" ball on McCarthy's part,
but not in any sense "solled" playing.
Manager Selee added that in all his five
years' association with the Bostons he
never saw them play "dirty ball." Mr.
Selee looks for a victory this afternoon
and is confident that his men will get
away from here with two out of the
series of three. Of course there is more
than one team in the game, and Mr.
Ward's boys are just as likely to interfere with the plans of the Hubites today and to-morrow as they did on Saturday.

The batteries this afternoon will probag-

Six Hundred Leave Their Lessons to Go to the Theatre.

The schola's of the Condon School Fifth avenue, stampeded to-day. The boys of the Interscholastic Athletic As sociation stood in front of the school and persuaded them to drop their lesson for the day,
The Columbia Grammar School and

The Columbia Grammar School and
the Cutter School were prepared for
them. Policemen stood in front of the
door and the boys passed on.
At the Halsey, Harvard, Drisler and
Berkeley schools scholars joined them,
and they marched 600 strong to Proctor's
Theatre to witness a performance. The
principal of the Condon School says the
boys must answer for their desertion.
The Association is made up of boys
from the leading private schools of the
city.

Weather Forecast.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending & P. M. Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending a P. M. to-morrow is as follows: Pair, except possibly a shower this evening; warmer during the day; cooler in-night; fair, cooler to-morrow; brisk to high southwesterly winds. The following record shows the changes in the temperature during the morning hours, as indicated by the thermometer at Perry's Pharmacy; I. A. M. 53 | 6 A. M. 53 | 8 A. M. 53 |

Retirement. HE SAYS HE WANTS RELIEF. Asks That His Duties and Responsibilities Be Divided. TIRED OF BEING CRITICISED. His Statement Regarded as One Way of Getting Out Gracefully Under Fire. Richard Croker, the Central Power of Tammany Hall, made a statement this morning which is in effect a partial resignation. Although he denies that he will be tgo of the leadership of Tammany, his utterances are accepted as an indication that he wishes to sever his connection from the Wigwam by degrees, and at the most favorable opportunity to relinquishthereinsofpower without the appearance of making a complete surrender. Washington May of the found that the head was indication that he wishes to sever his connection from the Wigwam by degrees, and at the most favorable opportunity to relinquishthereinsofpower without the appearance of making a complete surrender. Washington May of Croker methodols missioner plan, by which is the comment and the head he back way without making it appear that he has a fine rating plan, by which croker methods way without making it appear that he hack way without making it appear that he hack way without making it appear that he hack may been put to flight was pour to file while no more one-man rule in Tammany. When Mr. Croker and Tammany wen say that the result of the marker must come before the first I have heard of it," said the Mayor Clonwiston. "The dark outlook for Tammany Hall the matter its determined by the Executive Committee." Corporation Counsel Clark and Commissioner Daly made no comments. The dark outlook for Tammany Hall the matter its determined by the Executive Committee." The dark outlook for Tammany Hall the matter its determined by the Executive Committee." The dark outlook for Tammany Hall the matter its determined by the Executive Committee." The dark outlook for Tammany Hall the matter its determined by the Executive Committee." The dark outlook for Tammany Hall the matter its determined by the Executive Committee." The dark outlook for Tammany Hall the matter it HE SAYS HE WANTS RELIEF Asks That His Duties and